EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 837

WHEREAS, "Electronic Government" is an important endeavor that will enable citizens and businesses to interact with a more streamlined, service-oriented government; and

WHEREAS, in a streamlined, service-oriented environment, citizens and businesses may receive information, use the government services, and become involved in a more active dialog with their state government; and

WHEREAS, successful "electronic government" will be achieved when all of Mississippi's citizens and communities have the opportunity to use the tools of technology, including the Internet, to actively participate in and access their state government; and

WHEREAS, it is very important that the state approach electronic government from a total enterprise perspective to increase efficiency and effectiveness of state government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby create and establish the Governor's Commission on Electronic Government ("E-Government Commission") and order the following:

I. PURPOSE

The Governor's Commission on Electronic Government shall be a time-limited commission with the sole purpose of accomplishing the goal of examining the important issues related to electronic government so that many of the components of an electronic government infrastructure can be built in such a way as to save money and improve the effectiveness of state government.

II. MEMBERSHIP

The Commission shall consist of the following members, or their designees, who shall be appointed by and serve at the will and pleasure of the Governor:

- a. Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration;
- b. Executive Director of the Department of Information Technology Services;
- c. Secretary of State;
- d. State Treasurer;
- e. State Auditor;
- f. Attorney General;
- g. Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce;
- h. Executive Director of the Department of Economic and Community Development;
- i. Banking and Commerce Commissioner;
- j. Commissioner of the State Tax Commission;
- k. Public Safety Commissioner;
- 1. Executive Director of the Department of Human Services;
- m. State Superintendent of Education;
- n. Commissioner of Insurance;
- o. Commissioner of Higher Education;
- p. Executive Director of the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks;
- q. Executive Director of the Department of Environmental Quality;
- r. Executive Director of the Department of Marine Resources;

- s. Executive Director of the Board for Community and Junior Colleges;
- t. State Health Officer;
- u. Adjutant General of the Mississippi National Guard;
- v. An independent information technology industry advisor;
- w. Three (3) representatives of local government;
- x. Three (3) representatives of businesses that are regulated by a state agency or local government;
- y. Three (3) members selected at-large;
- z. At least one (1) representative from the Governor's Office; and,
- aa. Other members not yet included but determined to be necessary by the Governor.

The Executive Directors of the Department of Finance and Administration and the Department of Information Technology Resources shall serve as co-chairs of the Commission.

The Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Chief Justice of the Mississippi Supreme Court, or their designees, shall serve as non-voting, ex-officio members.

The Departments of Finance and Administration and Information Technology Services shall provide administrative support for the Commission.

The E-Government task force previously organized through the Department of Information Technology Services shall work closely with and provide information to the electronic government initiative and shall report to the Commission at its request.

III. FUNCTIONS

The Commission is hereby charged with developing for the Governor proposed recommendations for assuring the quality and timely evolvement of electronic government.

The initial recommendations to the Governor shall be made on or before December 1, 2000.

IV. COMPENSATION

Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for service on the Commission and shall receive per diem and reimbursement for actual expenses only to the extent allowed by specific legislation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE at the Capitol, in the City of Jackson, August 8, 2000, in two hundred and twenty-fifth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

ERIC CLARK SECRETARY OF STATE